

# Grace Lutheran Church

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## All Saints' Day (observed)

November 2, 2014

*Living Our Faith Under His Grace*

BIBLE CLASS. . . . . 9:00 a.m.  
WORSHIP SERVICE. . . . . 10:00 a.m.

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**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** O Christ, our Bridegroom, we are Your Church, Your Bride. We wait to welcome You with open arms. We wait to receive You with joy. And we wait to spend eternity with You in perfect paradise. As we wait, prepare us for what is to come, show us Your will as laid out for us in Your Word, and keep us alert for signs of Your arrival.

*O coming Christ, we wait for You.*

**WELCOME TO ALL OF YOU** in the name of our Saviour, especially the visitors who have joined us this morning. If you do not have a church that you call home, we invite you to make Grace your spiritual home. Amid the trials and tribulations of life it's good that we can come to our Lord for strength through His Word. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor, and fill in the "Worship attendance registration" at the end of the pew.

### OUR WORSHIP TODAY

**ORDER OF SERVICE:** Confession / Absolution. . . . . p. 151  
Prayer and Preaching. . . . . p. 260

**HYMNS:** 670; 761; 801

**FIRST LESSON:** Revelation 7:(2-8)9-17 (p.1031)

**EPISTLE LESSON:** 1 John 3:1-3 (p.1022)

**GOSPEL LESSON:** Matthew 5:1-12 (p.809)

**SERMON:** "We are Saints through Christ" - Matthew 5:1-12

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to bring God our regular offerings and tithes as well for the ongoing work of His Church. God calls us here to be in His glorious presence, that He may bless us. Let us commit ourselves to Him who is our forgiveness, life and salvation.

*Thank you!* to all those who came out to help with the fall clean-up at Grace yesterday.

**BIBLE STUDY AT GRACE:** There will be Bible Study at Grace on Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. We are studying 1 Peter. You are all welcome to come and learn more about God's love for us in Jesus Christ.



**FLOWERS FOR GRACE:** If you would like to bring flowers to adorn altar on Sundays for 2014 to commemorate something special in your life, please indicate this by signing your name and including the date on the flower calendar which is in the fellowship hall.

**SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:**

**USHERS TODAY:** Greg & Tasha Jahns

**USHERS NEXT WEEK:** Lorne & Susan Campbell

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** Ken Beecroft

**ALTAR GUILD:** Tania Mulligan, Marianne Issendorf

**IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:**

**Special Needs:** Else Jacobsen, John and Maria Paal, Pat Phillips, Sandra Stewart, David and Imogen Strike, Sandra Stockman, Ellen Phillips, Pastor Kenneth Voegel, Nancy Curtis, David Chamberlain, Frank Kleiber, Sophie Wilson, Joanna Bode, Jackson Lavers and family, Helen Livingstone, Doris Jensen, Sarah Lawson, Marianne Muller, Dan Frederick, Judy Barker and family, Jean Mountenay, Sandy Harrison, Marie Nixon, John and Nancy Crowther



**Homebound:** Becky Ames, Ana Greksa

**Family Focus:** Rachael Holden; Sarah Holden; Marissa and Callie Humphrey; Nicole and Madison Humphrey; Nydia and Nick Oliver Humphrey

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** 33 (13:35)

**COMMUNION ATTENDANCE:** 31

**BIBLE CLASS:** 12

**OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS:** Current 822.00; Missions 65.00; Building 145.00 **Praise the Lord!**



**NON-BUDGET GIFTS:** Loose 5.00

Our Stewardship of God's Gifts January - Sept.	Current	Missions	Building
<b>Total Received</b>	<b>156,277.61</b>	<b>21,454.00</b>	<b>14,892.25</b>
<b>Needed</b>	<b>190,858.80</b>	<b>21,076.80</b>	<b>19,230.80</b>
<b>Over/Short</b>	<b>-34,581.19</b>	<b>377.20</b>	<b>-4,338.55</b>

**THE GRACE ADVENT TALENT SHOW SIGN-UP** sheet is now located at the front entrance of the Church. Please sign up if you are participating in the talent show and for the dish that you will bring for Pot Blessing (1 main dish and 1 dessert recommended per family, but not mandatory). Tree-decorating begins at 5:30 p.m.; dinner and entertainment to follow on November 29<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions regarding the Advent talent show, please contact Tania Mulligan.

**MISSION OF THE MONTH:** Fresh Start Maternity Support

"Fresh Start" provides hope and a future for pregnant and parenting women and their children. During times of crisis, they offer a safe environment and support to women facing multiple challenges, including addictions, abuse, mild mental health issues, and homelessness.

**TO OUR FAMILY AT GRACE:** We would like to invite you to join us in celebrating the engagement of our daughter, Becky, to Calvin Rivett at an Open House at our home on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

In Christian Love, Rick and Brenda

**DVD EVENING AND DESSERTS:** Please join us at Grace this Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 p.m. for a fun-filled evening of watching the beginning of Grace from 2011 to present on DVD's with music.



Memories of renovations, social activities such as Talent Evening, Strawberry Social, VBS, Dedication Service, Open House, Easter Breakfast and fellowship, etc. Sign up for your favourite desserts to share while enjoying the show. See how we have grown!

**FELLOWSHIP SUPPLIES NEEDED:** Can you help? We are in need of creamer and cookies for our post-service coffee time. Please sign up for what you are willing to bring on the sheet posted in the parish hall. Thank you!

**PLEASE SAVE YOUR POP TABS** and bring them in to Grace. You can place them in the designated container.

**PRAISE BE TO GOD:** At last Sunday's Voters' meeting, the following members were elected to serve on our Church Council for Faith and Grace. Note that the newly elected have the designation (E) beside their name. Serving on Council in 2015 will be:

**Chairman:** Dan Johnston (E)      **Recording Secretary:** Gerda Martinuzzi(E)

**Treasurer:** Barb Werner      **Financial Secretary:** Diane Geurkink (E)

**Elders:** Mike Ansell      Darcy Kahle  
Ken Beecroft-Grace      David Livingstone (E)  
Lorne Campbell-Grace(E)      Gene Makish-Grace (E)  
David Holden (E)      David Wilker (E)

**Trustees:** David Chamberlain (E)      Walter Procknow  
Ken Curtis (E)      Rick Ryan-Grace(E)  
Konrad Gmehlin-Grace      Steve Virgin (E)  
Reiner Issendorf-Grace      Fred Werner  
Al Montroy      Beth Wilker

**Auditors:** David Holden      Rebecca Rock (E)

**Convention Delegate:** Donna Livingstone (E)

We give thanks for these members and their willingness to serve. We also express our deep gratitude to all those who will be completing their terms this year. May God continue to inspire each of us as we serve Him and His Church with the gifts He has given.

**LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE:** "You are invited to attend the Lutheran Laymen's League of Canada Annual Meeting, Wednesday November 5th at 7:30 pm at Faith Lutheran Church, Kitchener, Ontario. Meet the Board of Directors and hear an update on our ministry. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome. For more information call 1-800-555-6236 or [www.LLL.ca](http://www.LLL.ca) ."

**LIFE QUOTES:** "In the pagan first century, Christianity was the catalyst that moved the Roman world from killing to caring. It didn't happen overnight. Now, in the pagan 21<sup>st</sup> century, let us again be that catalyst. We have so many footsteps of faithful saints to follow. God gave them purpose and success and He gives it to you, too. Go! God will bless your efforts as you continue to serve Him." *Diane E. Schroeder, former president of Lutherans For Life* - A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life · [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)

<b>THIS WEEK AT FAITH AND GRACE</b>		
<b>Mon.</b>	9:30 a.m.	Office Prayers
<b>Tues.</b>	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation (Faith)
	7:00 p.m.	Trustees
<b>Wed.</b>	8:00 p.m.	Council
	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study at Faith
<b>Thurs.</b>	7:30 p.m.	Choir
	10:00 a.m.	Pastor Castillo at Grace
<b>Sat.</b>	7:00 p.m.	Grace Bible Study
	6:45 p.m.	Grace DVD evening and desserts
<b>Sun.</b>	9:00 a.m.	Grace Bible Class
	9:30 a.m.	Faith Sunday School/Bible Class
	10:00 a.m.	Grace Morning Worship with Holy Communion
	11:00 a.m.	Faith Morning Worship with Holy Communion